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CECOM Command Chaplain bids Army and community farewell

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ABERDEEN PROVING GROUND, Md. – “Life is an exciting business, and most exciting when it is lived for others.” While these are the words of renowned author, political activist, and lecturer, Helen Keller, they do seem most suitable for recognizing the tireless service provided by U.S. Army Chaplain (Col.) Wayne Boyd, U.S. Army Communications-Electronics Command (CECOM) Command Chaplain, who will retire Aug. 1, 2016, after 29 years of military service.

From Aberdeen Proving Ground, Maryland, to Yongsan, South Korea and many locations in between, chaplain Boyd has no doubt left an indelible mark on the hearts of individuals, commands and communities wherever he

served. Now, as he prepares to reconnect with family and civilian life – simply taking one day at a time, a brief look back on his life and experiences just seems appropriate.

chaplain Boyd began his military career in June 1987 and was assigned to provide chaplain support for two battalions -- 5-15 Field Artillery, I Corps and 7-15 Field Artillery, 7th Infantry Division (Light), Fort Ord, Calif. Responding to the question of what led him to the Chaplain Corps, he said, "My call to ministry was definitely from God -- as was my call to the Army. I see my role as a calling, and as serving as a missionary to the military."

As that faithful missionary, chaplain Boyd has dedicated his career, and his life to serving others. However, he shares that along the way, his life has been touched by the service and or actions of others. "It occurs just about every day. I am always in awe of the commitment and bravery of our Soldiers. In my previous assignment in Hawaii, I sponsored ministry

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